

SENATE BILL 4103

By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40,
Chapter 38, Part 3, relative to the rights of victims
of crime.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-302, is amended by deleting
subdivision (2) and substituting instead the following:

(2) "Critical stages of the criminal justice process" are:

(A) Bond hearings or bond reduction hearings if hearing from the
victim is deemed relevant by the appropriate district attorney general;

(B) Any hearing on a motion to dismiss or on a plea agreement
requiring approval by the trial court;

(C) The defendant's sentencing hearing;

(D) Any hearing at which the issue of whether the defendant
should pay restitution or the amount of restitution that should be paid is
discussed;

(E) Any parole hearing at which the defendant's release on parole
will be discussed or determined; and

(F) Any other hearing which proposes a final disposition of the
case.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.